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Authorized to sign this document for
Solutia Inc. by resolution dated
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SOLUTIA INC.

By: Mark F. Wachter
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Solutia Inc. hereby certifies that it is the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in the patent application identified above by virtue of either:

- A. An assignment from the inventor(s) of the patent application identified above.
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- A copy of the assignment is submitted herewith, the same having been submitted herewith for recordation.

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OR

- B. A chain of title from the inventor(s), of the patent application identified above, to the current assignee as shown below:

The undersigned representative of the assignee has reviewed all the documents in the chain of title of the patent application identified above and, to the best of the undersigned's knowledge and belief, title is in the assignee identified above.

The undersigned further states that he is the General Intellectual Property Counsel of the Assignee corporation, and is authorized to act herein on its behalf.

The undersigned further declares that all statements made herein of his or her own knowledge are true, and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements, and the like so made, are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001, Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Dated this 1st day of August, 2001.

SOLUTIA INC.
By: Mark F. Wachter
Name: Mark F. Wachter
Title: General Intellectual Property Counsel

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ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, We, George T. Spitz, George D. Vaughn and Patricia A. Ball, citizens of the United States of America and residents of the Cities of Longmeadow, Southwick, and Chicopee, respectively, and the State of Massachusetts have invented certain new and useful improvements in a

ALKOXYMETHYL MELAMINE CROSSLINKERS

for which we are about to make or have made application for Letters Patent of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Solutia Inc., a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of Delaware and having its principal place of business at 575 Maryville Centre Drive, St. Louis, Missouri 63141, is desirous of acquiring an interest in, to and under said invention, said application, and any and all Letters Patent which may be granted for or upon said invention in the United States of America and all countries foreign thereto.

NOW THEREFORE, to all whom it may concern, be it known that for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, we, George T. Spitz, George D. Vaughn and Patricia A. Ball, have sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents to sell, assign and transfer unto the said Solutia Inc. the full and exclusive right, title and interest, throughout the world, in, to and under the following:

- (a) said invention as fully set forth and described in the specification prepared, and executed by us preparatory to obtaining Letters Patent of the United States therefor;
- (b) said application;

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- (c) any and all refilings, divisions, continuations and continuations-in-part of said application;
- (d) any and all Letters Patent of the Untied States of America which may issue from said application, refilings, divisions, continuations and continuations-in-part;
- (e) any and all reissues and reexaminations of said Letters Patent of the United States of America;
- (f) any and all applications for Letters Patent upon said invention which may hereafter be filed in any and all countries foreign to the United States of America;
- (g) any and all refilings, divisions and continuations of said foreign-filed applications;
- (h) any and all Letters Patent of countries foreign to the United States of America which may issue from the said foreign-filed applications, refilings, divisions and continuations; and
- (I) any and all extensions of, and additions to, said Letters Patent of countries foreign to the United States of America.

ALL of the above shall be held and enjoyed by said Solutia Inc. for its own use and benefit, and for its successors, legal representatives and assigns, to the full end of the term for which said Letters Patent may be granted, and we do hereby authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to issue the said Letters Patent in accordance with this Assignment.

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EXECUTED this 2nd day of April, 2001.

George T. Spitz
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STATE OF Massachusetts)
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COUNTY OF Hampden) ss.

On this 2nd day of April, 2001, before me personally appeared George T. Spitz, to me known to be the persons described in, and who executed the foregoing instrument, and they duly acknowledged to me that they executed the same for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

Michelle Lassau
Notary Public

My Commission Expires:

December 10, 2004

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On this 2nd day of April, 2001, before me personally appeared George D. Vaughn, to me known to be the persons described in, and who executed the foregoing instrument, and they duly acknowledged to me that they executed the same for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

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Patricia A. Ball

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On this 2nd day of April, 2001, before me personally appeared Patricia A. Ball, to me known to be the persons described in, and who executed the foregoing instrument, and they duly acknowledged to me that they executed the same for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

Michelle Lassner
Notary Public

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